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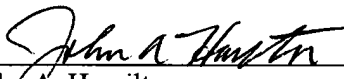
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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136

A four-month (4) extension of time, from December 1, 2001 up to and including April 1, 2002, is requested to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts, mailed October 1, 2001 in the above-captioned patent application. The extension fee due in the amount of \$720, in light of the small entity status, may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

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